

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP ART UNIT 3729**

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PATENT
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hiroyuki KINO et al.

Serial No.: 09/523,350

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Title: METHOD OF FIRING MAGNETIC
CORE

Art Unit: 3729

Examiner: P. Kim

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 17, 2002, the period for response to which has been extended to October 17, 2002, by the accompanying Petition for One-Month Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace claims 1, 5 and 11 with the following claims:

1. A method of firing magnetic cores comprising the steps of:
providing a plurality of flattened-ring compact bodies made of a magnetic
material and having flattened through holes;

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